Please REJECT the NAB Petition 04-160 and allow satellite radio services such as XM and Sirius to continue carrying local traffic and weather. I understand the broadcasters' concerns, but I fail to see any ownership they profess to have on the ability to disseminate information regarding traffic conditions! I do not live in an area served by XM's traffic channels, but I am hoping some day they include Albuquerque. During much of my travels, I admit I only listen to local radio to get traffic reports. However, one station has programming I enjoy and I do listen to them. Aha, they can compete!

I can see no rationale for preventing satellite services from using their facilities for any purpose that is of value to the subscribers.